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Merrill "Red" Mueller of NBC's London Office has just returned to the U. S. for a few short weeks of leave and will give us the latest news of England and the Atlantic Pact.  
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GENERAL THE HONOURABLE ANDREW GEORGE LATTA MC NAUGHTON  
ON

"CANADIAN-U.S. ARRANGEMENTS FOR NORTH AMERICAN DEFENSE"

Chairman of the Canadian-U.S.A. Permanent Joint Board on Defense and Permanent Delegate to the United Nations from Canada, McNaughton is also the representative of Canada on the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission -- he has been for a long time the President of the Canadian Atomic Energy Control Board.

Canadian Minister of National Defense for several years, General McNaughton was an outstanding leader of Canada's Overseas Forces in both world wars.  
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Have you reserved your seats for the world premiere of "Quartet", the top film of the year from England based on four stories by W. Somerset Maugham ? ? ? ? ?

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SEND IN YOUR SQUIBS ABOUT OPC MEMBERS AND THEIR COLLEAGUES ... PERHAPS NO CLUB IN THE WORLD TODAY HAS SUCH A GLOBE-TROTTERING MEMBERSHIP \*\* HERE TODAY AND GONE TO MANCHURIA OR SANTIAGO OR MEXICO OR ALASKA TOMORROW. HOW DO YOU THINK WE GET THE NEWS? BY CARRIER PIGEON OR BY PONY EXPRESS??? OUR MEMBERS ARE FAMOUS OR INFAMOUS AS THE CASE MAY BE BUT WHAT ARE COMMUNICATIONS FOR???



The last meeting of the present Board of Governors will be held in the OPC club-rooms at 1475 Broadway at 8:30 P.M. on Tuesday, March 22nd. Individual notices have been sent to the Governors.

PRESIDENT W. W. CHAPLIN has announced the Nominating Committee to draw up a slate of the officers and Governors for the coming year. Chairman of the Committee is JOHN GOETTE; members from the Board include BOB CONSIDINE, LUCIAN KIRTLAND and RICHARD HOTTELET. Members from the club who are not on the present Board of Governors include CLYDE BROWN, ANNE MARIE JUNGMAHN and THOMAS B. MORGAN. The Nominating Committee urges that members call them to suggest candidates for officers and Governors of the Club. Addresses and telephone numbers of these seven can be found in the club Who's Who.

The Correspondents' Fund of the Overseas Press Club has made no direct appeal for Funds in the past several years. Percentages obtained from the functions of the Club have been building the Fund of the Club to a substantial figure. The Fund is now vitally interested in the sponsorship of the world premiere of the J. Arthur Rank film "Quartet", composed of four short stories of W. Somerset Maugham. Mr. Maugham presented this film to the OPC for a premiere to be held at the Sutton Theatre, which will be given over entirely to the Club for the evening of Monday, March 28th, by the theatre management, Eagle Lion Distributing Company and J. Arthur Rank Productions, of which member JOCK LAWRENCE has been the integrating force.

Members of the Committee working on this premiere are JOCK LAWRENCE, RICHARD DE ROCHEMONT, JOSEPH LAITIN, ADELE NATHAN, CORTEZ ENLOE, BILL ORMEROD and BERNARD ESTES. Some of the personalities who will be present for this premiere will be Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Charles Laughton, Gracie Fields, Admiral Lord Ashbourne, Sir Francis and Lady Evans; Marquess of Milford-Haven; J. Arthur Rank who will be introduced by member SPYROS SKOURAS ... but more about all the celebrities present next week.

The Sutton Theatre will be the scene of much interviewing by radio, microphone and television of the celebrities and OPC members appearing at the opening of this new type of film. The \$5.00 for your tickets will be handled thus: .83 cents to Federal taxes and the rest to the Fund, exact amount of \$4.13. Get up a party of three or four and mark it off to your charity of the year. A gang will go back to the club-rooms afterwards for a quiet (??) drink.

Anyone remembering something called the American Feature Syndicate set up in London and possibly Tokyo, would be doing Victor Iasky of the World Telegram a favor if he or she called him at Barclay 7-3211 or dropped him a note. The organization was going around the mid-30's, apparently with someone named Maxim Lieber in charge.

MAC R. JOHNSON of the N.Y. Herald Tribune is back from Buenos Aires and will be working on the city desk of the Trib for a while.

CRAIG THOMPSON is the author of the piece "Here is Where Our Young Commies Are Trained" which appeared in the Saturday Evening Post recently.

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Members are cautioned that an outfit calling themselves "Overseas Press, Inc." with so-called offices at P.O.Box 568 of Grand Central Station, have been obtaining books and information around New York from various publishers and news organizations. The president signs himself as one George H. Cord. Our attorneys are investigating this matter, but in the meantime we cannot let our name be misrepresented by any individual or group of individuals. Will members PLEASE scan mail and communications so that this apparent trespass of our name and title does not go unchallenged???? Examples of letters from this organization should be sent to John T. McGovern, legal counsel of the Overseas Press Club of America and of the Correspondents Fund of the OPC, Inc., at 60 East 42nd Street, New York City.

The following applications have been received in the OPC office. Will members please send in their suggestions, recommendations or complaints regarding these applicants for membership in the OPC to Craig Thompson, Chairman of the Admissions Committee..

**ACTIVE:**

JOSEF C. DINE, Director Press Department NBC. PRO, 36th Inf.Div. sending stories to U.S.papers; briefing officers, Sixth Army Group, for correspondents; dispatches for Worcester Telegram, overseas January 1944 to September 1945.

ROBERT LUBAR, Time Life Bureau head in New Delhi covering India, Pakistan and Ceylon. Time Life Bureau in London from Feb. to May 1948 and present post from May, 1948 to date.

**ASSOCIATE:**

Robert C. Durham, Sept. 1946 to Feb. 1947, stringer for NANA and Mutual Broadcasting System in Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

**GUEST:**

Louis J. Garcia, correspondent in the United States for El Imparcial of Santiago, Chile and La Nacion of Panama City, R. P.

BOOKS RECEIVED RECENTLY IN THE OPC LIBRARY: ALL FROM RALPH GOLDBURGH OF N.Y.TIMES:

MY 25 YEARS IN CHINA, by John Powell

MARCHING BLACKS, by Adam Powell

END OF A BERLIN DIARY, by William Shirer

WIFE OF MR. MILTON, by Robert Graves

THE LEPER KING, by Sofia Kossak

The Foreign Press Association will have their Third Annual Dinner on April 4th at the Waldorf. Dr. Evatt, Deputy Prime Minister of External Affairs for Australia, will be the main speaker. The OPC is taking a table so send in your reservations to the club office. Seats for OPC members will cost ten dollars each.

MIKE STERN of Fawcett publications in Rome reports (during his three week trip here) that Robert Conway of the N.Y.Daily News will go back to Europe shortly as a roving correspondent. Bob had been taking time out in the States to do a book.

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Sure and today is a day when the Irish take over New York. Members dropping into the OPC office were resplendent with green carnations, green ties, green scarfs, green shirts and Old Bushmill... Somehow, the N.Y. City Police keep "East is East and West is West" on this day when Fifth Avenue becomes the scene of the annual parade. Woe to the OPC member who tries to get to the club from the wrong side of town...

JOSH POWERS of the Editorial Press Service returns soon from Australia and points East where he has been visiting editors of correspondent papers including the Melbourne Herald... Casey Hirshfield of the EPS left yesterday for Central America and the Caribbean for several months' survey.

MEETING OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE... TUESDAY, MARCH 29th, 1949.

ROY BATTERSBY of the National Broadcasting Company has left for Hollywood on a several weeks' business trip to learn at first hand the television set-up there and see if he can't coordinate requests better between New York and Los Angeles.

The following letter has been received by President Chaplin.

"March 6, 1949.

"My dear Chaplin,

"I want to thank you and the members of the Overseas Press Club for the honor you did me and your hospitality. I was deeply appreciative and will not forget. Mrs. Marshall was equally grateful for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

"This should be written on that celebrated typewriter but I will have to polish up a bit before publicizing my skill. I used to be a pretty fast two fingered operator but something seems to be the matter with at least one of the fingers. I think it is lack of confidence.

"We flew down here Saturday in four hours and found sunshine and green grass. Very restful surroundings in contrast to New York despite its attractions. With my warm regards to you and Miss Hensell,

Faithfully yours,

George C. Marshall."

There is not room in the Bulletin for all of the "Thank You" letters from General Stratemeyer, Ambassador Morgenstierne, Senator Lodge and all of our honor guests, members and OPC friends who were present. But Louis Lochner assures OPC club members that they are too numerous to recount fully here.

General Wedemeyer promises never to mention the \$7.82 bill from the Lotos Club again; Mrs. Marshall writes that the General tried the typewriter for the first time the other day; members have been calling in about the success of the MGM and Warner-Pathe newsreel on the dinner and the NBC television shots of it; Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, wrote that Bill Chaplin did a fine job as toastmaster; Paul Hoffman was glad he was not called upon to speak; Ambassador Tarchiani of Italy was pleased to have taken part in an event aimed at paying tribute to General Marshall; quotes from the letters could go on for pages....

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Maybe it's the fact that it is St. Patrick's Feast which makes us all happy on a good clear New York day or maybe just the green (???) around but all of the letters about the tenth anniversary dinner bring a spirit of appreciation from leaders in this country that the Overseas Press Club chose to honor General Marshall for the work he has carried on his capable shoulders for these United States.

Several more stories about the Banquet: C. C. Philippe of the Waldorf wanted to surprise the OPC and sent in a towering birthday cake with ten candles for the dinner. Chaplin looked over his shoulder at the waiters carrying the cake on their arms and said "What is all this?" General Marshall did the same. Finally, after the head waiter whispered into the ears of the head table the birthday story, the mystery was solved and everybody went on eating Cherries Jubilee and petits fours.....

GENERAL MARSHALL in a serious note to his speech said that foreign correspondents must realize that the government of the United States carries on its diplomatic relations in full view of a critical American press and radio. There are no secret negotiations as in many other countries and therefore, our State Department especially and every one of the other government departments are wide open first to our own barbs and then to those of other countries.

CHARLES COLTMAN, now stationed in Bangkok as Regional Representative for the FAD covering that part of the world, begs to differ with Stan Swinton in the fact that Alex Macdonald of AP is the only experienced journalist in Siam. "Mac may be the only experienced American journalist in Siam but what about Alex WU of Central News of China and Jim Taylor of Reuters, who might take exception to being called "inexperienced" writes COLTMAN.

GWEN DEW JACKSON reports that Marjorie Avery, one of the top femme war correspondents of ETO is married to Andrew Bernhard, editor of a Pittsburgh newspaper and is also teaching journalism at the University of Pittsburgh.

GERALDINE FITCH is scheduled to fly back to the States from Korea in May... Richard J. H. Johnston of the New York Times in Korea, who has been assigned there since Sept. 1945, takes issue with the Awards Committee in naming only Bill Costello of CBS as having covered the vast expanse of global territory between Moscow and San Francisco to the East for top news during 1948.

FRANK MILES, an Iowa Member, has been named general chairman of the national convention of AMVETS to be held in Des Moines September 2, 3 and 4.

Hester E. Hensell, Editor

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